

State of Florida Condominium Ombudsman's Office

Condominium Courses 2009

The Office of the State of Florida Condominium Ombudsman was created to serve as a neutral resource for condominium unit owners, board members and property managers throughout the State of Florida.

The Ombudsman's Office is introducing a series of Condominium Courses to be offered quarterly in partnership with the City of Miami Beach Community Resource and Outreach Team. The dates for 2009 are as follows;

Thursday, March 12, 2009 – Condominium Rights and Obligations

Thursday, June 11, 2009 – Basic Condominium Finances

Wednesday, September 16, 2009 – Serving on a Board of Directors

Thursday, December 10, 2009 – Condominium Rules and Regulations

All classes will be held at the Miami Beach Police Department, 1100 Washington Avenue, 1st Floor Meeting Room from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The classes will be taught by Mr. William and Mrs. Susan Raphan. The Raphans have worked as volunteers for the Condominium Ombudsman's office from its inception. They helped establish policies and procedures for the office and have served as State employees managing the Fort Lauderdale branch of the Ombudsman's office for the past several years.

Additionally, they have conducted seminars and lectures on condominium issues throughout the state and taught classes at Broward College and Palm Beach Community College for the past 3 years. The Raphans also train monitors around the State of Florida to conduct elections in condominiums.

To sign up for participation in the Condominium Course Series, please contact Lynn W. Bernstein, City of Miami Beach Community Outreach coordinator, 305.673.7000, ext. 6178 or email lynnbernstein@miamibeachfl.gov.